STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 12-11

Providing Assistance to the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, on Monday, October 1st, 2012, the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center (MIFC) was managing suppression of eight different active fires in Northwest Minnesota; and

Whereas, the fire danger rating is at red flag conditions in West Central and South Central Minnesota and is expected to remain extreme for the next several days; and

Whereas, state agencies, the State Emergency Operations Center, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and the MIFC do not have adequate aviation resources for widespread wildfire suppression; and

Whereas, the MIFC has requested fire suppression and support assets from the Minnesota National Guard;

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

- 1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about October 1st, 2012, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to support wildfire suppression in Minnesota.
- 2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease, or contract goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission.

3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay, and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, sections 192.49, 192.52, 192.54, and as otherwise permitted by law.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Emergency Order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 2nd day of October 2012.

Mark Dayton

Governor

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